

**General Meeting ● June 19, 2021; 10:00 – 12:30 pm via Zoom**

<b>June 19, 2021</b>	10:10 am meeting called to order by President Debbie Skopczynski
<b>Roll Call</b>	10:20 am Quorum met (16) members present
<b>Adoption of Agenda</b>	Terry Ross motion to adopt, Kaye Stephenson second No objections
<b>Receiving of Minutes</b>	May minutes for review and approval APAB 6-19-21 meeting. No objections.
<b>Announcements</b>	<u><b>Update to ABAB Roster:</b></u> Kyle Kessler designated Alternate by NPU-M. Angela Clyde new NPU-T Chair/Delegate replacing Jason Hudgins as Chair and Delegate.
<b>Presentations/discussions</b>	<b>GEORGIA REDISTRICTING</b> <b>Stacey Evans</b> represents District 57 (replacing Pat Gardner, who served this post 20+ years.) Her District which defines gerrymandering extends from I85 just south of Buckhead to the Cascade Springs Nature Preserve. Ms. Evans related that gerrymandering is a practice intended to establish an unfair political advantage for a particular party by manipulating the boundaries of electoral districts. A thirty minute presentation concluded whereby questions were received of members. Nonmembers were able to leave questions in the Chat to be read during meeting session. Chat transcript can be downloaded or made available Upon request. Participants encouraged to observe process scheduled 6/28 at the State Capital Room 341. <a href="http://www.legis.ga.gov">www.legis.ga.gov</a> <u><b>Nate Hoetzel, 2021 CDP</b></u> Project manager “THE 2021 CDP” present today and available to answer questions and provide update on process.
<b>Appointments</b>	Pending Invest Atlanta Appointee replacing Bill Bozarth
<b>Committee Reports</b>	<b>CD/HS &amp; Zoning and Land Use</b> , Jim Martin, Chair Committee met on 6/7, next scheduled meeting 7/5. Zoom conferencing notice to be provided. Many vacant seats on the ZRB. A more diversified Board would better serve public interest.  <u><b>Resolution 21-06</b></u> A resolution calling for reforms at the Fulton County Development Authority <b>Motion to approve from committee carries unanimously by a vote of 16 ayes/0 nays/0 abstentions.</b>  (Invitation also extended to Marty Turpeau (Chairman of Fulton County Development Authority) to attend CD/HS monthly meeting.  <u><b>Resolution 21-07</b></u> <b>(For Information Only)</b> A resolution calling for the City of Atlanta to establish an ongoing community driven update process for the Comprehensive Development Plan.  <u><b>Resolution 21-08</b></u> <b>(For Information Only)</b> A resolution calling for the City of Atlanta to review its zoning policies regarding minimum parking requirements.  <u><b>Resolution 21-09</b></u> <b>(For Information Only)</b> A resolution calling on the city of Atlanta to delay the creation of any new zoning permissions In single family zoning districts until it has created a process for the

enforcement of zoning strictures

**By-laws Committee, Rasheen Hunter, Chair**

3-5 members **Needed** to serve on 2021 bylaw committee. Parliamentarian, member of committee by operation of the bylaws. Amendments submitted annually no later than September 30.

**Committee on APAB (formerly Committee on Council) Terry Ross, Chair**

...Committee met by zoom conference 9am, (6-19-21) hour directly before monthly APAB meeting. Zoom notice to be provided.

...Will continue to monitor Committee on Council.

...Discussion on forming a citizen participation/engagement committee. Chair to attend next APAB executive committee meeting as well as meeting with CCI Kyle Kessler.

**License Review Board, Terry Ross reporting**

LRB meeting the week of June 21st. Agenda available through LRB

Administrative office. NPUs should consider making agendas available to constituents. The importance of NPUs presenting at hearing is imperative In board's assessment of the issues supporting NPU's denial of application.

**Finance Committee, Virgil Penne, Chair**

No finance activity/updates since last report.

**ACRB, Christie Peters, Dr Michael Woodard, reporting**

Stressed importance of body worn cameras in the investigatory process.

Atlanta touted as one of country's strongest citizen review boards.

Short time on board has given greater insight into 4<sup>th</sup> amendment issues,

Search and seizure. The community to engage more in the resources of the ACRB.

**Education Committee, Keona Jones, Chair**

Last meeting scheduled 5/29. Next meeting 6/26 by zoom conference.

Partner in book bag bash scheduled 8-7-21 (12-2 pm) Location: Fan Plex NPU V Hank Aaron Dr

Many community partners, including Morehouse School of Medicine, ACRB

mascot Captain Integrity meets Education Mascot Captain Civic, performance by students,

vendors, educators, wrap around services ,panelist of educators, Atlanta Police Zone 3,

**Transportation Committee, Eunice Glover, Chair**

No Updates since last report.

**Public Safety Committee, Chris Brown, Chair**

Committee meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday biweekly. Zoom notice provided. Community dialogue continues via zoom meeting regarding location of APD Training Center on old prison farm which lies in Dekalb County although also situated in the of City of Atlanta. Heightened conversations throughout city on revitalization of The Neighborhood Watch programs under the oversight of APD (COPS program) Community Oriented Policing. Anti-violence Council formed to review city's plan and to make recommendations on how to address violent crime. Successful community cleanup with various partners on May 8<sup>th</sup> community blitz in Little 5 Points.

**Executive Committee, Debbie Skopczynski, Chair**

Executive Committee met on Sunday, June 6, 2021, to discuss details of

June 19<sup>th</sup> general meeting and to update on committee reports.  
The executive committee discussed the creation of a Committee on Citizen Engagement. Initial questions posed were: What the committee would want to accomplish? How would it integrate with the other Community engagement initiatives by CCI and DCP?

City Hall will be opening in July to limited staff. Full opening to the public anticipated early August. APAB may have the option of continued virtual meetings. City zoom account will be available through July 2022.

Volunteers needed to serve on the by-laws committee. The makeup of the committee is limited to 5 members. If you have recommendations for by-law Changes, please email [apabatlanta@gmail.com](mailto:apabatlanta@gmail.com). Here are the proposed changes which have been collected for discussion.

...Incorporate Appendix A into the by-laws (not updated each year)

...Clarify responsibilities of the 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

...Method for removing officers

...Consider consolidation of Corresponding/Recording Secretary

...Remove term limits

...Some organizations have a built in succession on their board (1 year as VP, 1 year as president, 1 year as past president).

NOTE: Many are term limited in their current roles. If you are interested in a leadership role in APAB, please consider attending Executive Committee meetings. Current positions that are term limited President (Debbie Skopcynski) 2<sup>nd</sup> VP (Eunice Glover) Corresponding Secretary (Richard Rauh). Executive meeting zoom link provided on monthly APAB agenda.

**Department of City Planning not in attendance in observance of Juneteenth holiday.**

Following announcements given on behalf of DCP by Chair Skopcynski:

...Applications for the next cohort for CLI are due 7/6.

This is the second and final cohort for 2021.

...NPU CDP policies are overdue. A presentation will be made to the CD/HS committee on 6/28.

Policy updates should be submitted by June 25<sup>th</sup>.

...Please reach out to Leah and the planning office should the NPU continue to need help. DCP stresses that the CDP policies are the most important work of the NPU in that it tells the City what constituents want in making their communities better, stronger, more vibrant. If new policies are not submitted, 2016 policy submissions will be included in the 2021 update.

<b>Upcoming Events/Meetings</b>	Sunday July 11, 2021, next meeting of APAB executive committee open to general body (zoom link at top of the agenda.) Next scheduled monthly APAB meeting July 17th, 2021, by zoom conference.
<b>NPU Announcements</b>	None
<b>Public Comments / Announcements</b>	(Steve Carr) formation of the people's law center. Reach out to Steve for suggestions. (Leslie Ramirez) New to APAB learning as she goes. (Sherry Williams) Great comments in chat. Marta public comments not public. (Ben Howard) 678 691 3440 leave messages. Lots of messages in chat.
<b>Adjournment</b>	Motion to Adjourn 12:34 Terry Ross 2 <sup>nd</sup> Gloria Hawkins-Wynn Adopted by voice vote